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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. YOUR 19726 ON CPSU RELATIONS WITH THIRD WORLD PARTIES IS A STIMULATING EFFORT AND WE HAVE FLAGGED IT FOR THE TRANSITION TEAM.
2. BOTH WE AND VO THOUGHT YOUR MOSCOW 19685 ABOUT OGANES KOSHKARYAN WAS PARTICULARLY GOOD. VO WILL BE RAISING THE CASE WITH INS CO. ONE OF HIS SISTERS RECENTLY WROTE US THAT SHE HAS BEEN A PERMANENT RESIDENT OF THE US FOR OVER FOUR YEARS; WE ARE SENDING YOU COPIES OF THE CORRESPONDENCE.
3. FYI: ON NOVEMBER 11 WE POUCHED TO YOU COPIES OF THE DEPARTMENT'S LETTERS RECOMMENDING THAT PRANAS AND ALGIRDAS BRAZINSKAS NOT RPT NOT BE GRANTED POLITICAL ASYLUM.
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SINCE THEN PRANAS (THE FATHER) WAS REFUSED POLITICAL ASYLUM BY INS NEW YORK. HIS DEPORTATION CASE WAS RESUMED, BUT O/A DEC. 17 HIS ATTORNEY ASKED FOR, AND GOT A POSTPONEMENT OF AT LEAST 30 DAYS IN HIS DEPORTATION CASE. ALGIRDAS (THE SON) IS APPLYING TO INS BOSTON FOR PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS AS THE SPOUSE OF A US CITIZEN, AND

INS CO TELLS US NO DECISION ON HIS REQUEST FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM WILL BE HANDED DOWN UNTIL HIS APPLICATION FOR

PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS IS GRANTED OR REJECTED. INS IS CURRENTLY INVESTIGATING THE BONA FIDES OF HIS MARRIAGE. AS YOU KNOW HE WAS A YOUNG TEENAGER AT THE TIME OF THE HIJACKING. END FYI.

4. WE FOUND DICK MILES REPORT ON A ZNANIYE SOCIETY LECTURE (MOSCOW A-328) AND GIL CALLAWAY'S AIRGRAM ON CONVERSATIONS WITH SOVIETS ABOUT US-SOVIET RELATIONS (A-325) VERY INTERESTING AND USEFUL. PLEASE EXTEND OUR COMMENDATIONS AND THANKS.

5. WE ARE POUCHING A MEMO NOTING THAT MOSCOW IS ATTEMPTING SOMETHING OF A PRE-INAUGURAL DIALOGUE BY PUBLIC STATEMENTS WITH THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION. MEMO POINTS UP STATEMENTS BY BREZHNEV, PATOLICHEV, ARBATOV, NOVOYE VREMYA REACTION TO VANCE NEWSWEEK INTERVIEW AS EFFORT TO SHAPE AGENDA. WHEN WE GET CLOSER TO JANUARY 20 IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE YOUR IMPRESSIONS FOR COMPARISON.

6. THE SECRETARY SIGNED THE LETTER TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL RECOMMENDING THAT THE BACKLOG OF TCPS AND DROP-OUTS IN ROME BE PAROLED INTO THE UNITED STATES. WE ARE POUCHING YOU A COPY. IF JUSTICE DECIDES TO INSTITUTE A PAROLE PROGRAM, YOU MIGHT CONSIDER COMING IN WITH A CABLE RENEWING THE EMBASSY'S OLD PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECT MOSCOW-TO-NEW YORK PAROLE PROGRAM FOR THE TCPS, WITH THE EMBASSY ISSUING PRE-PAROLE DOCUMENTS ALONG THE OLD CONFIDENTIAL

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CUBAN MODEL. WE HAVE TRIED TO REVIVE THE IDEA HERE BUT NEVER GOTTEN ANYWHERE.

7. WE HAVE DRAFTED AN ARRIVAL STATEMENT, A FORMAL STATEMENT FOR PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS AND TALKING POINTS FOR THE INFORMAL REMARKS ON THAT OCCASION WHICH AMBASSADOR TOON HAS NOW CLEARED. THE NEXT STEP IS TO GET THEM CLEARED IN THE DEPARTMENT AFTER WHICH WE WILL CABLE THEM TO YOU.

8. FOR PPO AND MCNAMARA, PLEASE CHECK WHETHER CIVIL DEFENSE TEXTBOOK GRAZHDANSKAYA OBORONA (MOSCOW: VYSSHAYA SHKOLA PUBLISHING HOUSE, 1970) WRITTEN BY YEGOROV, SHLYAKOV, AND ALABIN IS WIDELY AVAILABLE IN MOSCOW BOOKSTORES. ALSO CHECK WHETHER ANY OTHER CIVIL DEFENSE TEXTBOOK IS NOW WIDELY DISTRIBUTED IN SOVIET BOOKSTORES.

9. WE ARE WORKING WITH MED ON A MEMO TO M PROPOSING
BRIEFING PAPERS FOR BOTH USG AND OTHER AMERICANS RESIDENT
IN MOSCOW. THE IDEA IS THAT THESE BRIEFING NOTICES

WOULD INVITE OTHERS TO TAKE PART IN THE TEST PROGRAM,
THUS TAKING CARE OF BROADENING OUR SAMPLE AND TAKING
CARE OF INFORMING EVERYONE OF WHAT WE KNOW NOW ABOUT
THE STATE OF THE PROBLEM. RE PARA 2 OF MOSCOW 19717 ON
ALLEN'S TALK WITH FEDOSEYEV, WE DON'T PLAN TO RAISE THE
QUESTION AGAIN IN THE NEAR FUTURE WITH THE SOVIET EMBASSY
SINCE THE BALL IS NOW DOUBLE VOLLEYED INTO THEIR COURT.

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